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Listing of Claims

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Original) A reticle carrier comprising:
- a first plurality of electret fibers;
- a second plurality of electret fibers;
- a reticle holder between the first plurality of electret fibers and the second plurality of electret fibers.
- 2. (Original) The reticle carrier of claim 1, wherein the reticle holder is adapted to hold an Extreme Ultraviolet (EUV) reticle.
- 3. (Original) The reticle carrier of claim 1, wherein the electret fibers are imbedded with dipole moments to capture particles.
- 4. (Original) The reticle carrier of claim 3, wherein each of a plurality of said electret fibers has a dipole field with a polarity of about 10 nC/cm².
- 5. (Original) The reticle carrier of claim 1, wherein the first plurality of electret fibers comprise a grid including a first layer of electret fibers and a second layer of electret fibers.

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6. (Original) The reticle carrier of claim 5, wherein the electret fibers in the first layer and the second layer are staggered.

- 7. (Original) The reticle carrier of claim 1, wherein a plurality of said electret fibers have a thickness of about $100 \, \mu \text{m}$.
- 8. (Original) The reticle carrier of claim 1, wherein a plurality of said electret fibers are aligned such that their dipole fields are aligned in their minimum energy configuration.
 - 9. (Withdrawn) A reticle carrier comprising:

a plurality of walls, each wall having an interior side and an exterior side;

a cavity between the walls adapted to hold a reticle;

an in-line sensor on an interior side of one of said plurality of walls to monitor particles in the reticle carrier; and

an interface to transmit signals from the in-line sensor out of the reticle carrier.

10. (Withdrawn) The reticle carrier of claim 9, wherein the in-line sensor comprises a Quartz crystal microbalance (QCM) sensor.

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11. (Withdrawn) The reticle carrier of claim 9, wherein the in-line sensor comprises a surface acoustic wave (SAW) sensor.

- 12. (Withdrawn) The reticle carrier of claim 9, wherein the in-line sensor is coated in such a way as to have a high sticking coefficient with the particles to be monitored.
- 13. (Withdrawn) The reticle carrier of claim 9, wherein the cavity comprises a reticle holder to hold a reticle having a patterned side.
- 14. (Withdrawn) The reticle carrier of claim 13, wherein the reticle comprises an Extreme Ultraviolet (EUV) reticle.
- 15. (Withdrawn) The reticle carrier of claim 13, wherein the reticle holder is adapted to hold the patterned side of the reticle facing the interior side of a first one of the plurality of walls; and

wherein the in-line sensor is positioned on the interior side said first one of the plurality of walls.

16. (Withdrawn) The reticle carrier of claim 9, further comprising a funnel extending from the cavity to the in-line sensor.

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- 17. (Withdrawn) A debris trap comprising:
- a frame; and
- a plurality of electret fibers attached to the frame.
- 18. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 17, wherein said frame is adapted to be positioned between an illumination source and a reticle in a lithography tool.
- 19. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 18, wherein the lithography tool comprises an Extreme Ultraviolet lithography tool.
- 20. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 17, wherein the debris trap comprises a pellicle.
- 21. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 20, wherein the pellicle is adapted to be attached to a reticle.
- 22. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 17, wherein the plurality of electret fibers are incorporated in a grid including a first layer of electret fibers and a second layer of electret fibers.
- 23. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 22, wherein the electret fibers in the first layer and the second layer are staggered.

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24. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 17, wherein each of a plurality of said electret fibers has a thickness of about $50\mu\text{m}$.

- 25. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 17, wherein each of a plurality of said electret fibers has a dipole field with a polarity of about 10 nC/cm^2 .
- 26. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 17, wherein adjacent electret fibers in said plurality of electret fibers are spaced apart by about 1mm.
- 27. (Withdrawn) The debris trap of claim 17, wherein a plurality of said electret fibers are aligned such that their dipole fields are aligned in their minimum energy configuration.